

# The Polarized Gas JET Target and Polarimetry at RHIC

Impact on Spin Physics

Polarimeters used in the complex

The Polarimetric Process

The p-Carbon CNI polarimeters

accomplishments AGS / RHIC

systematics and upgrades

The polarized gas JET target

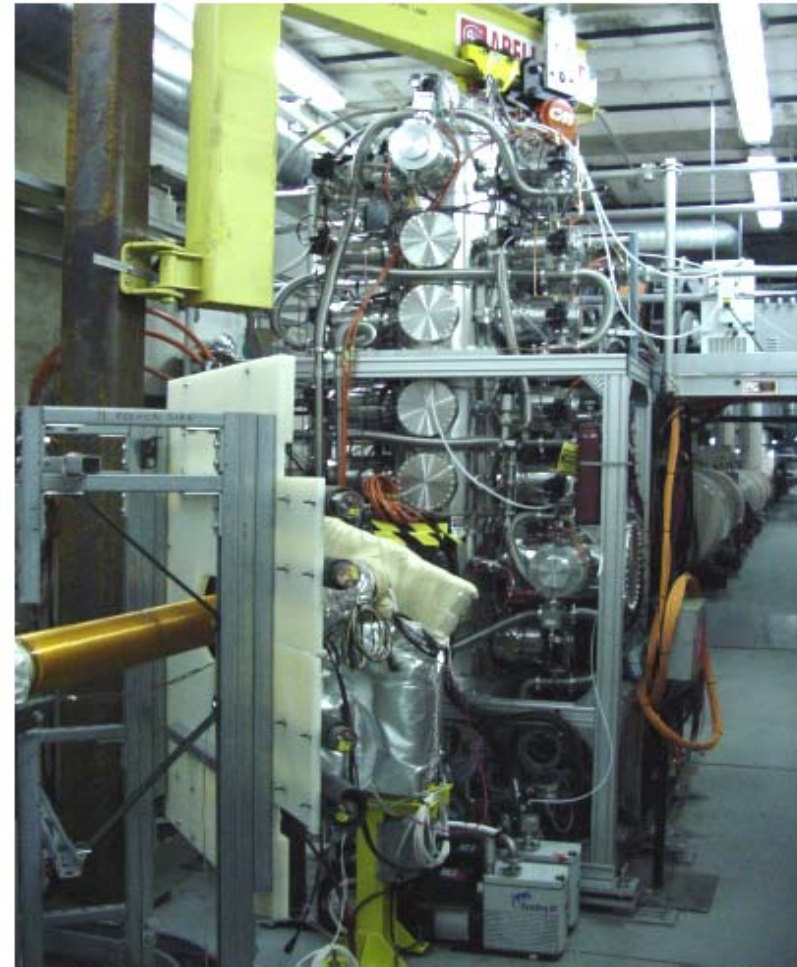
construction, status

“online” results from 2004

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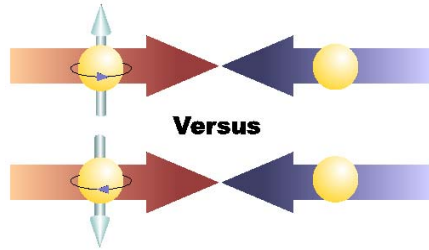
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# Polarimetry : Impact on Spin Physics

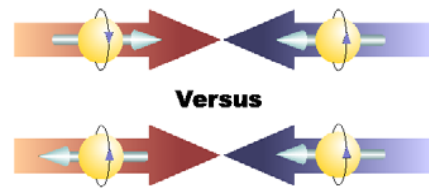
## Single Spin Asymmetries



## Physics Asymmetries

$$A_N = \frac{1}{P_B} \left( \frac{N_{\uparrow} - N_{\downarrow}}{N_{\uparrow} + N_{\downarrow}} \right)$$

## Double Spin Asymmetries



$$A_{LL} = \frac{1}{P_B^2} \left( \frac{N_{\uparrow\uparrow} - N_{\uparrow\downarrow}}{N_{\uparrow\uparrow} + N_{\uparrow\downarrow}} \right)$$

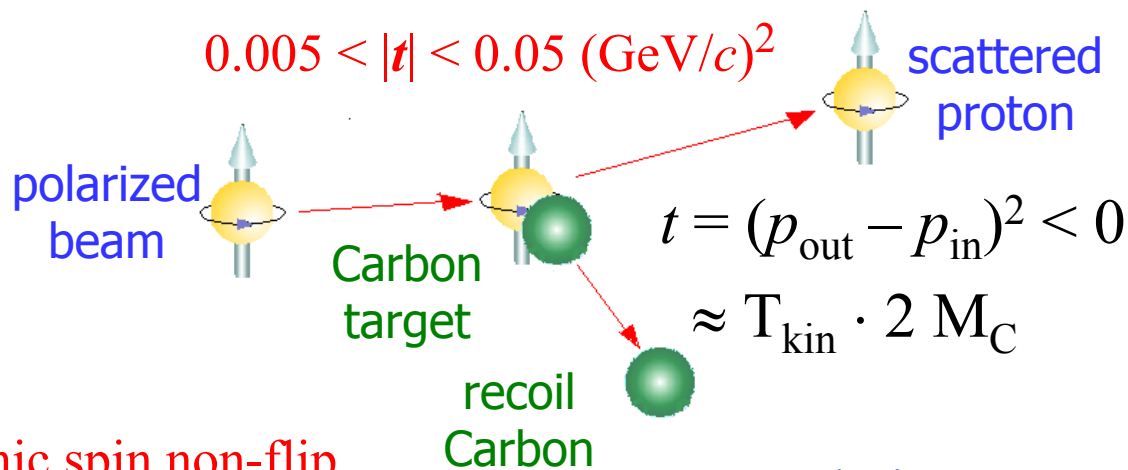
$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta G}$   
measurements

- measured spin asymmetries normalized by  $P_B$  to extract **Physics Spin Observables**
- RHIC Spin Program requires  $\Delta P_{\text{beam}} / P_{\text{beam}} \sim 0.05$
- normalization  $\Rightarrow$  **scale uncertainty**
- polarimetric process with large  $\sigma$  and known  $A_N$ 
  - $pC$  elastic scattering in CNI region
  - fast measurements
  - requires absolute calibration  $\rightarrow$  polarized gas jet target

# Elastic $pC \rightarrow pC$ scattering at low $t$

$$P_B = -\frac{1}{A_N} \cdot \frac{N_{left} - N_{right}}{N_{left} + N_{right}}$$

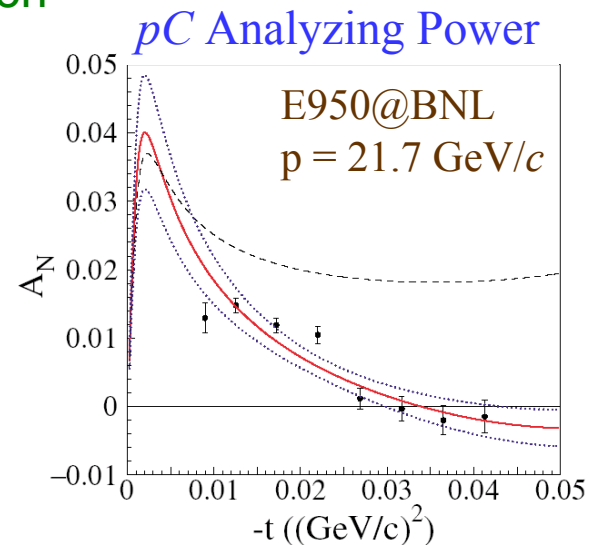
recoil



1.  $A_N$  from interference of hadronic spin non-flip and ElectroMagnetic spin flip amplitudes can be traced back to Schwinger (1948)  
 $\Rightarrow$  spin dependence of interaction  
 $\Rightarrow$  hadronic spin flip (spin-coupling of Pomeron)

## 2. Polarimetry

- almost “calculable”, requires “calibration” to 5%
- small  $A_N \sim 1-2\%$   $\Rightarrow$  requires large statistics  $> 10^7$
- large cross section
- weak beam momentum dependence ( $p > 20 \text{ GeV/c}$ ) ?
- absolute “calibration”: elastic  $pp$  scattering with polarized gas-jet target



# On the Polarization of Fast Neutrons

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ALTHOUGH the production of polarized thermal neutrons has long been an accomplished fact, no such success has been forthcoming with fast neutrons. Only one method for the polarization of fast neutrons has thus far been suggested,<sup>1</sup> of which the essential mechanism is the large, effective nuclear spin-orbit interaction present when neutrons are resonance scattered by helium and similar nuclei. It is the purpose of this note to suggest a second mechanism for polarizing fast neutrons—the spin-orbit interaction arising from the motion of the neutron magnetic moment in the nuclear Coulomb field.

Despite the apparent small magnitude of this interaction, the long-range nature of the Coulomb field is such that the use of small scattering angles will produce almost complete polarization under ideal conditions. A closely related phenomenon produced by this electromagnetic interaction is an additional scattering of unpolarized neutrons which increases rapidly with decreasing

where  $k=p/\hbar$  is the neutron wave number. Hence, the unscreened Coulomb field of a point nucleus will be effective for scattering in the angular range:

$$1/ka \ll 2 \sin \vartheta/2 \ll 1/kR. \quad (3)$$

If the nuclear radius and atomic screening radius are taken to be

$$R = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-13} A^{1/3} \text{ cm} \quad \text{and} \quad a = 0.53 \cdot 10^{-8} Z^{-1/2} \text{ cm},$$

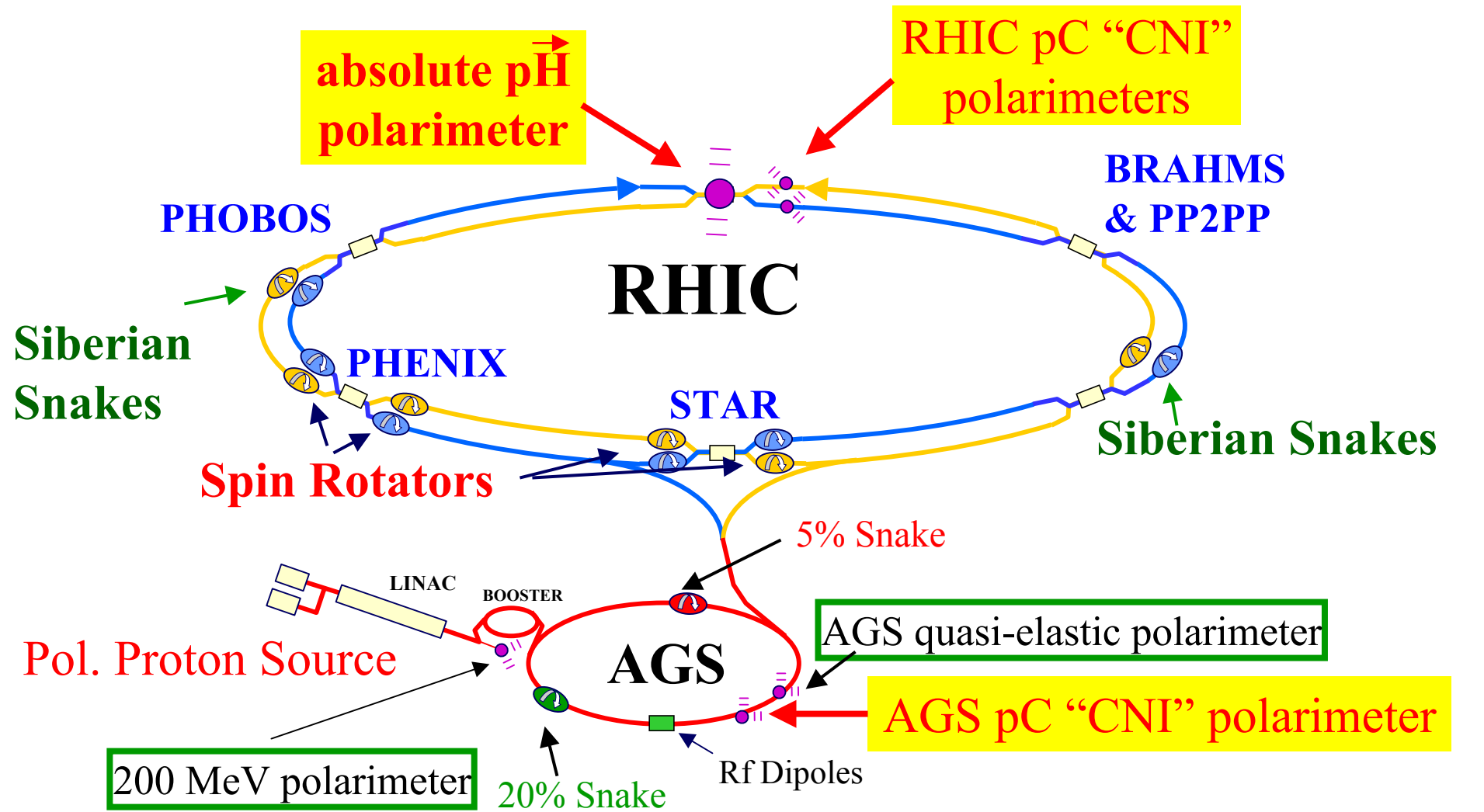
the angle restrictions for a 1-Mev neutron scattered in Pb, for example, are

$$4 \cdot 10^{-4} \ll 2 \sin \vartheta/2 \ll \frac{1}{2}. \quad (4)$$

The electromagnetic scattering of a neutron under these conditions can be calculated with the plane wave Born approximation, for the nuclear scattered wave is negligible compared with the incident wave at the significant scattering distances. We denote the incident plane wave by

$$\psi_{\text{inc}} = e^{ik_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}} \quad (5)$$

# RHIC $pp$ accelerator complex & Polarimeters





# Polarimeters in the C-AD complex

## ■ LINAC 200 MeV

inclusive production proton from p-Carbon interactions

50% analyzing power, Fast a 2% in about 1 min.

p d elastic scattering.

slow, used to calibrate the above polarimeter

## ■ Booster

None, however measure in AGS just after injection

## ■ AGS

pp quasi-elastic scattering on HydroCarbon and Carbon targets

3-5% analyzing power, good to  $G_\gamma \sim 12$

slow at higher energies, 10% measurement in 1/2 hour

p Carbon CNI polarimeter

1-2% analyzing power at 24 GeV, fast 5% in 5 min.

analyzing power known to 30% at 22 GeV

ramp measurements

## ■ RHIC

p Carbon CNI polarimeters in Blue and Yellow beams

analyzing power known at 22 GeV to 30%

fast, a 2% measurement in about 30 sec.

ramp measurements

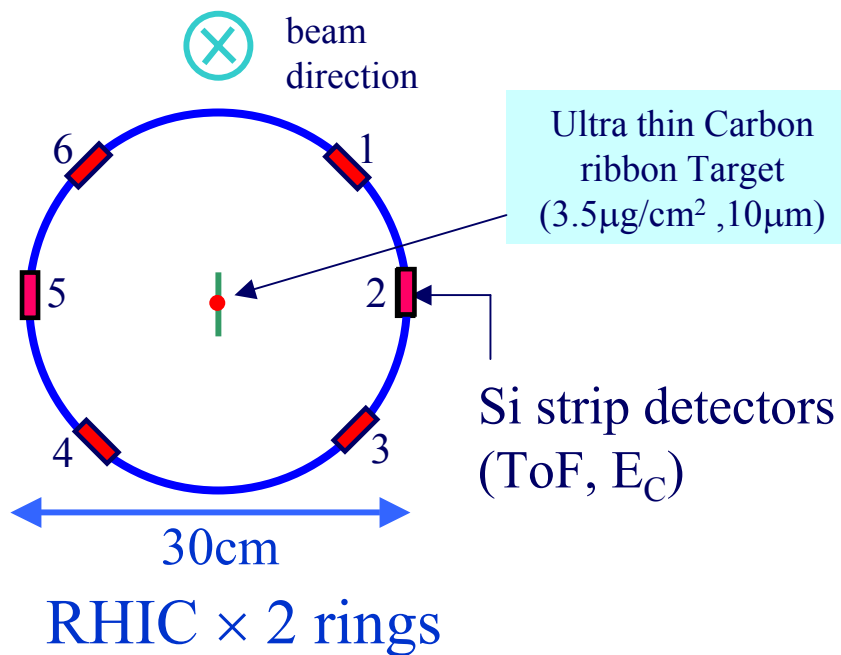
polarization profile measurements

spin tune measurements

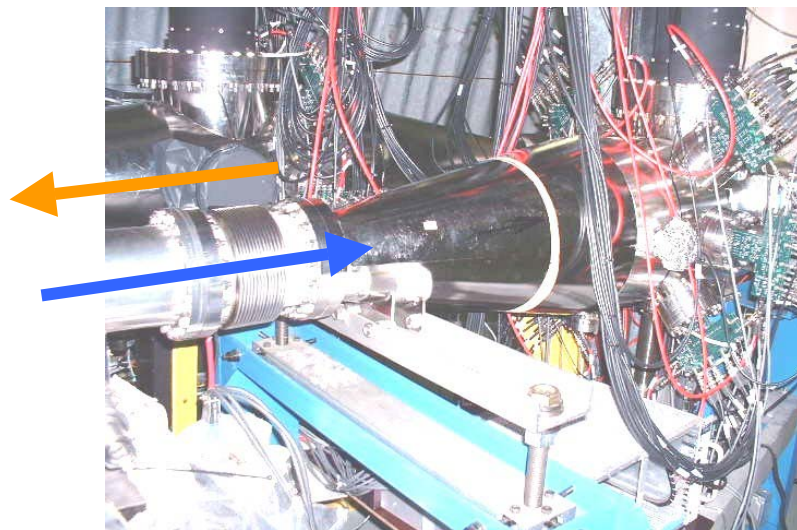
# Some history and future plans

- FY 1997-98
  - E950 in AGS: demonstrated feasibility of a  $pC$  CNI polarimeter
- FY 2000
  - 1<sup>st</sup>  $pC$  CNI polarimeter in RHIC (partial, Blue Ring)
- FY 2001-02
  - $pC$  CNI polarimeters for both RHIC RINGS
- FY 2003
  - $pC$  CNI polarimeter also for AGS
- FY 2004
  - Jet Target (Blue beam only)
  - Doubled acceptance of RHIC  $pC$  polarimeters
  - Upgraded AGS  $pC$  polarimeter
    - Better understanding of systematics, eliminated beam wake fields pickups
- FY 2005
  - Jet Target for both RHIC beams
  - Upgrade RHIC  $pC$  polarimeter (systematics, beam wake fields)
- FY 2006
  - All developments should be completed

# RHIC $pC$ Polarimeters



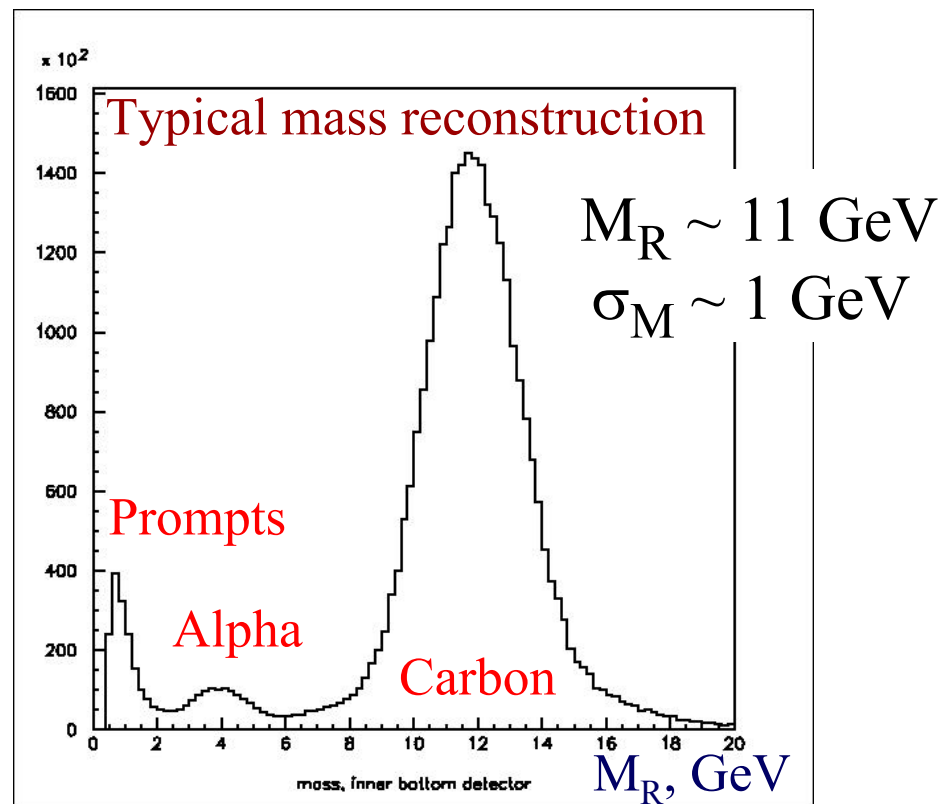
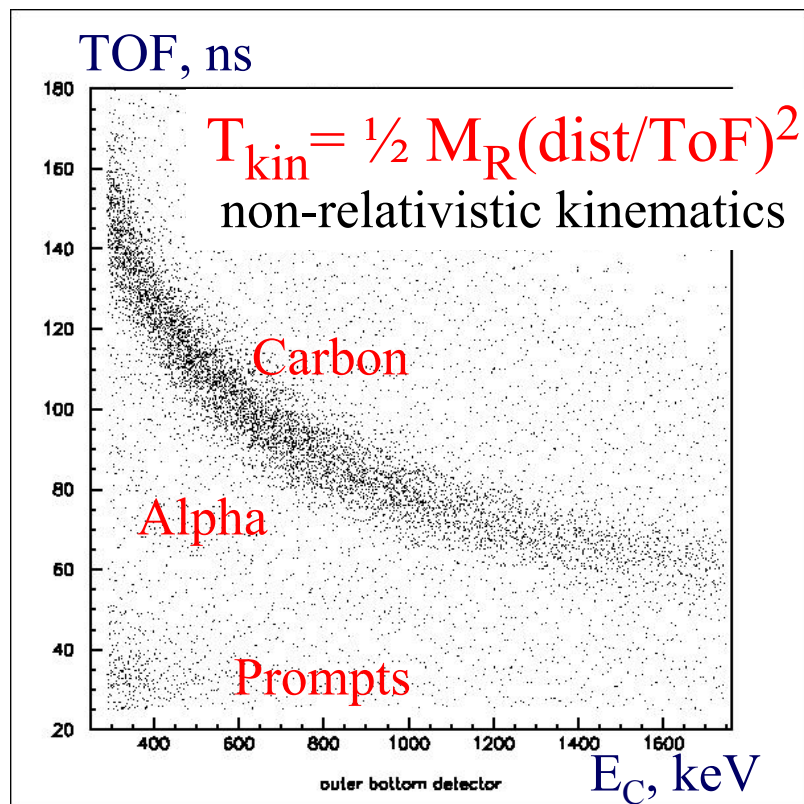
inside RHIC ring @IP12



- $2 \times 72$  channels read out with WFD (increased acceptance by 2)
- very large statistics per measurement ( $\sim 20 \times 10^6$  events) allows detailed analysis
  - bunch by bunch analysis
  - channel by channel (each channel is an “independent polarimeter”)
  - 45° detectors: sensitive to vertical and radial components of  $\vec{P}_{\text{beam}}$ 
    - unphysical asymmetries



# Performance

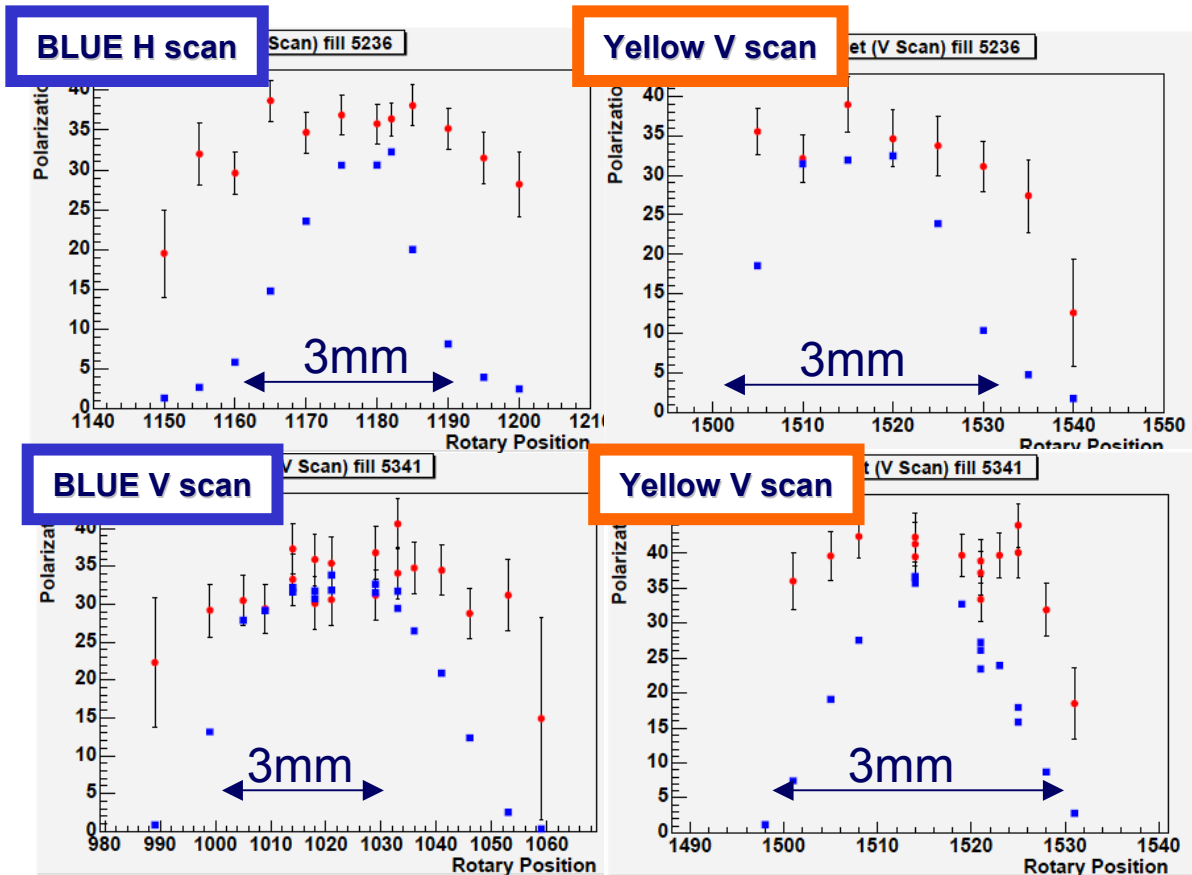


- Very clean data
- Good separation of recoil carbon from  $\alpha$  ( $C^* \rightarrow \alpha + X$ ) and prompts  
very low background, may allow going to very high  $|t|$  values
- Low  $\chi^2$  of sequential measurements – stable operation

# *pC* Polarimeter systematic issues

- calibration only at 22 GeV to  $\pm 30\%$   
assume:  $A_N(\text{E950}) = A_N(24.3 \text{ GeV}) = A_N(100 \text{ GeV})$   
soon will have absolute calibration from JET target
- observed systematic error of relative measurements to  $\Delta P \pm 3\%$
- during '04 run very stable operation
  - effective  $A_N$  for each measurement very stable and around 1.5 %
  - very low backgrounds
- energy scale
  - dead layer energy correction  
small change  $\rightarrow$  small change in  $|t| \rightarrow$  significant change in  $A_N(t)$
  - however radiation damage not an issue
- beam wake fields induced pickups
  - solved in AGS, will be implemented in RHIC for '05 run
- beam polarization profile
  - the polarimeter sees only the beam center while  
the experiments & JET integrates over the whole profile

# RHIC polarization profile



- Polarization
- Beam Intensity

H Scan --horizontal scan with vertical target

V Scan – vertical scan with horizontal target

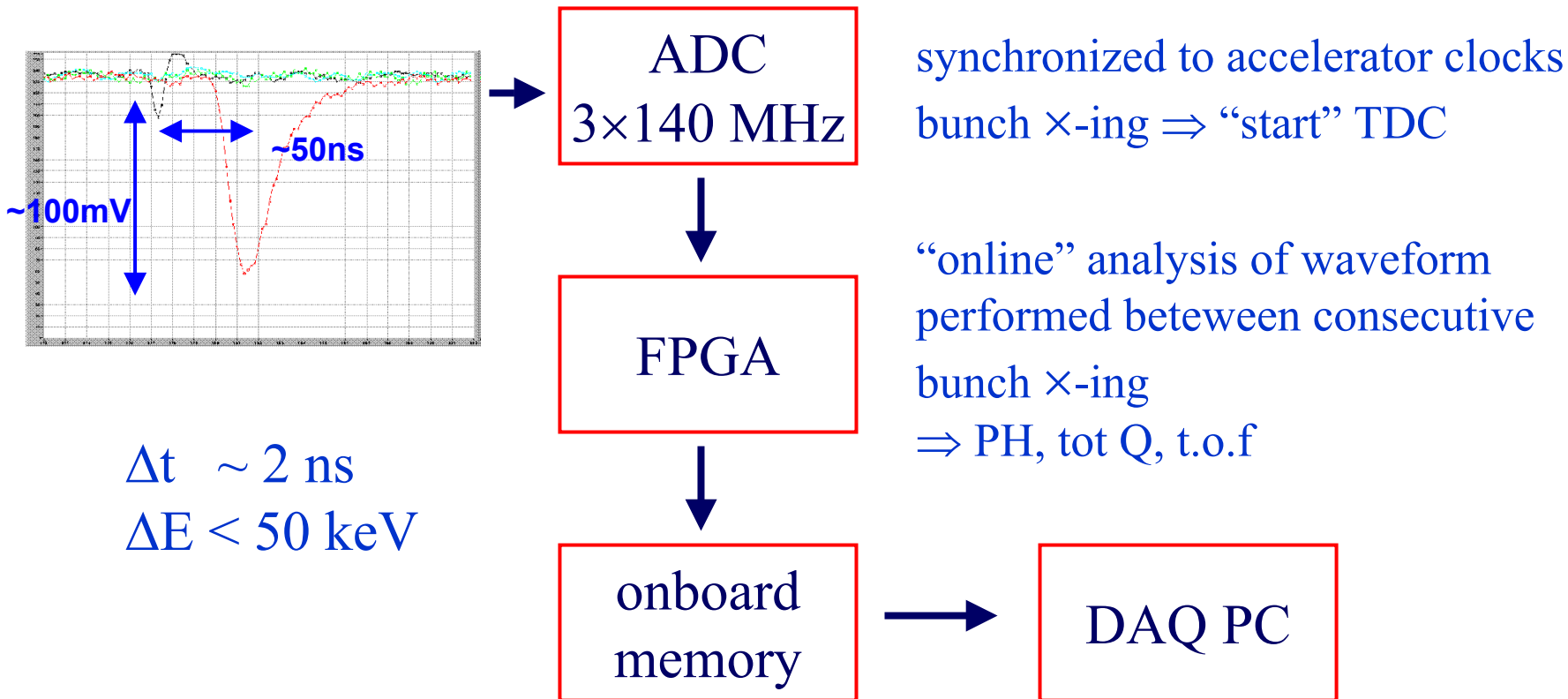
large polarization profile in vertical direction (small profile in horizontal)  
observed position dependent fluctuation in polarization measurements

an issue for “calibration”: the JET integrates over the full beam profile  
the  $pCNI$  polarimeter measures the beam center

# DAQ and WFD

Wave Form Digitizer = peak sensing ADC, CFD, ...

common to the *pC* and JET DAQ system



$20 \times 10^6$  events in 20 seconds  $\Rightarrow$  deadtimeless DAQ system  
can accept, analyze, and store 1 event / each bunch  $\times$ -ing

# The Road to $P_{\text{beam}}$ with the JET target

Requires several independent measurements

0 JET target polarization  $P_{\text{target}}$  (Breit-Rabi polarimeter)

1  $A_N$  for elastic  $pp$  in CNI region:  $A_N = -1 / P_{\text{target}} \varepsilon_N'$

2  $P_{\text{beam}} = 1 / A_N \varepsilon_N''$

1 & 2 can be combined in a single measurement:  $P_{\text{beam}} / P_{\text{target}} = -\varepsilon_N' / \varepsilon_N''$

"self calibration" works for elastic scattering only

3 CALIBRATION:  $A_N^{\text{pC}}$  for  $pC$  CNI polarimeter in covered kinematical range:

$$A_N^{\text{pC}} = 1 / P_{\text{beam}} \varepsilon_N'''$$

(1 +) 2 + 3 measured simultaneously with several insertions of carbon target

4 BEAM POLARIZATION:  $P_{\text{beam}} = 1 / A_N^{\text{pC}} \varepsilon_N''''$  to experiments

at each step pick-up some measurement errors:

$$\frac{\Delta P_{\text{beam}}}{P_{\text{beam}}} = \left( \frac{\Delta P_{\text{target}}}{P_{\text{target}}} \right) \xrightarrow{\oplus} \left( \frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \right)_{pp} \xrightarrow{\oplus} \left( \frac{\Delta A_N}{A_N} \right)_{pC} \xrightarrow{\oplus} \left( \frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \right)_{pC} \leq 6\% \quad \text{expected precision}$$

transfer      calibration      measurement



# The Polarized Jet target for RHIC-Timeline

- The design and simulations started in early 2002
- A cost estimate of \$1.45 M was arrived at in June 2002
- The sextupole magnets (a long lead item) order was placed in July 2002
- A DOE review (design, cost, and schedule) was carried out in Nov 2002
- First steel was cut in January 2003
- The Atomic Beam stage saw first beam in May 2003. Record intensity June 2003
- The RF transitions and the Breit-Rabi polarimeter were installed in Aug 2003
- RF transition efficiency ( $\sim 100\%$ ) and polarization ( $\sim 96\%$ ) measured in Sept 2003
- Conventional construction in the IR and service building completed Sept 2003
- The Jet was installed in RHIC for a successful dress rehearsal in Oct-Nov 2003
- Prototype detectors and electronics tested in the JET January 2004
- The silicon detectors and electronics were installed in March 2004
- The jet was reinstalled in RHIC in April 2004 and took data with beam

Overall, the jet came in on time and within the allotted budget

# Source

## H<sub>2</sub> dissociator

separation  
magnets  
(sextupoles)

focusing  
magnets  
(sextupoles)

SFT

- Holding field magnet

## recoil detectors

## Breit-Rabi polarimeter

holding field magnet

 BRP detector

# Operation parameters

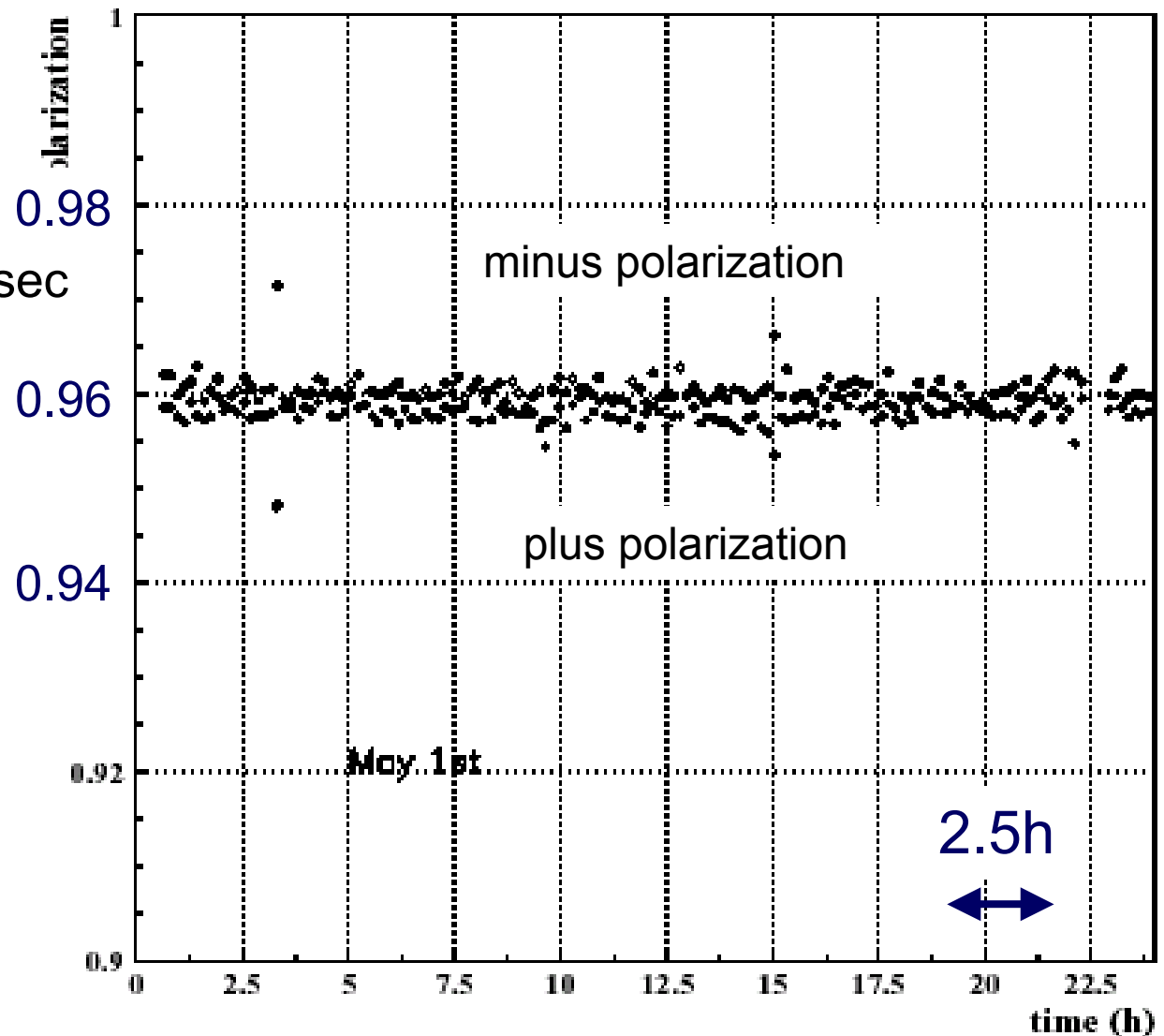
- The Jet ran with an average intensity of  $1 \times 10^{17}$  atoms / sec
- The jet thickness of  $\sim 10^{12}$  atoms/cm<sup>2</sup> **record intensity**  
(no discernable effect on the beam or lifetime)
- Jet polarization (-95.9 % and +95.7 % respectively)  
This to be scaled down due to a 3% H<sub>2</sub> background
- No observed depolarization from beam wake fields at 56 bunches
- The jet vacuum was at  $4 \times 10^{-9}$  Torr / jet off &  
 $2 \times 10^{-8}$  Torr / jet on
- The beam line vacuum was at  $6 \times 10^{-9}$  Torr at 1 meter away
- Data taken under different RHIC beam conditions:  
Blue beam only, Blue and Yellow anticogged (dedicated), Blue and Yellow  
very small background increase → **can run “parasitically”**

# JET target polarization

Target polarization cycle  
+ / - / 0 ~ 500 / 500 / 50 sec  
(600 / 600 / 60 cycle  
1 cycle = 0.83 sec)

polarization to be scaled  
down due to a ~3% H<sub>2</sub>  
background:

$P_{\text{target}} \sim 93\% +2\% -3\%$   
(current understanding)

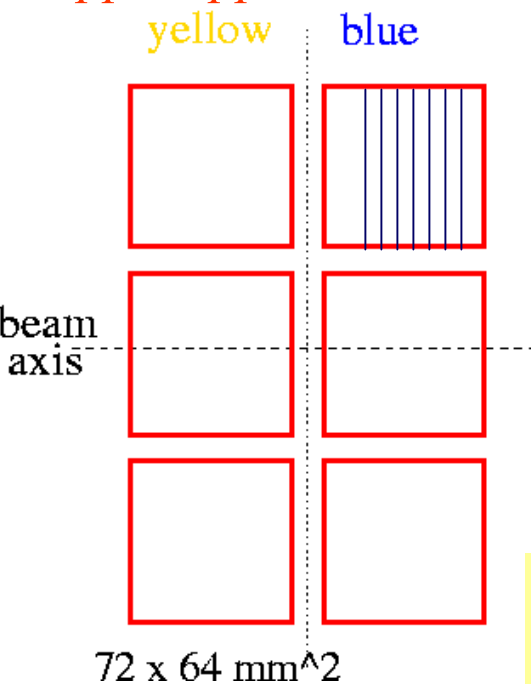


# Recoil Si spectrometer

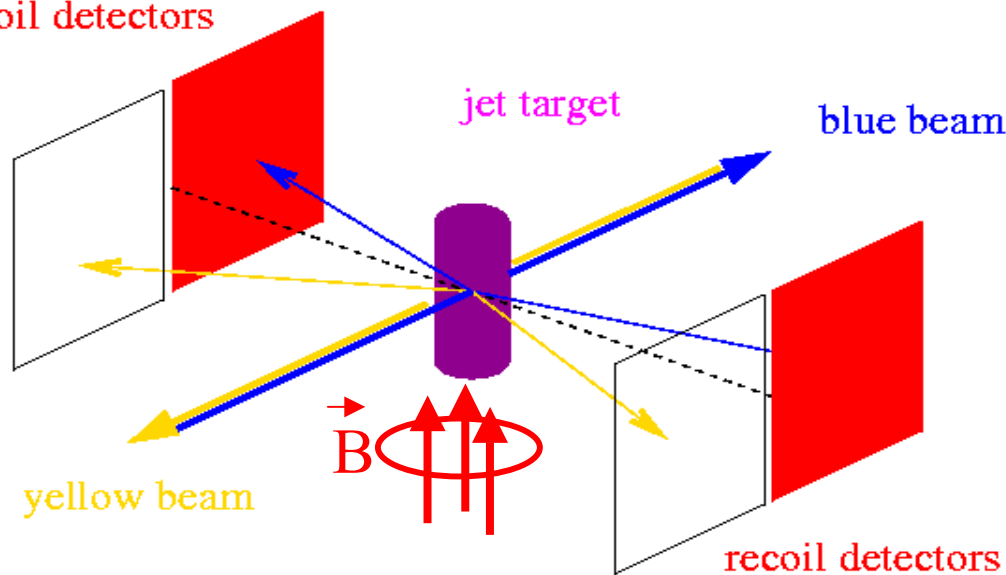
6 Si detectors covering  
the blue beam =>

## MEASURE

energy (res. < 50 keV)  
time of flight (res. < 2 ns)  
scattering angle (res. ~ 5 mrad)  
of recoil protons from  
 $pp \rightarrow pp$  elastic scattering



recoil detectors



$$A_N^{\text{beam}}(t) = -A_N^{\text{target}}(t)$$

for elastic scattering only!

$$P_{\text{Beam}} = -P_{\text{Target}} \cdot \epsilon_N^{\text{Beam}} / \epsilon_N^{\text{Target}}$$

HAVE “design”  
azimuthal coverage

one Si layer only  
⇒ smaller energy range  
⇒ reduced bckgrnd rejection power

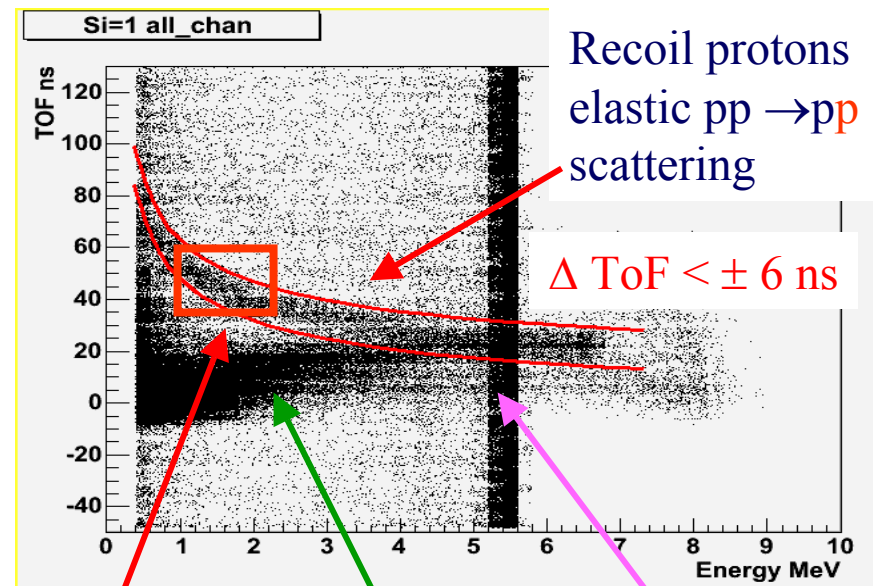
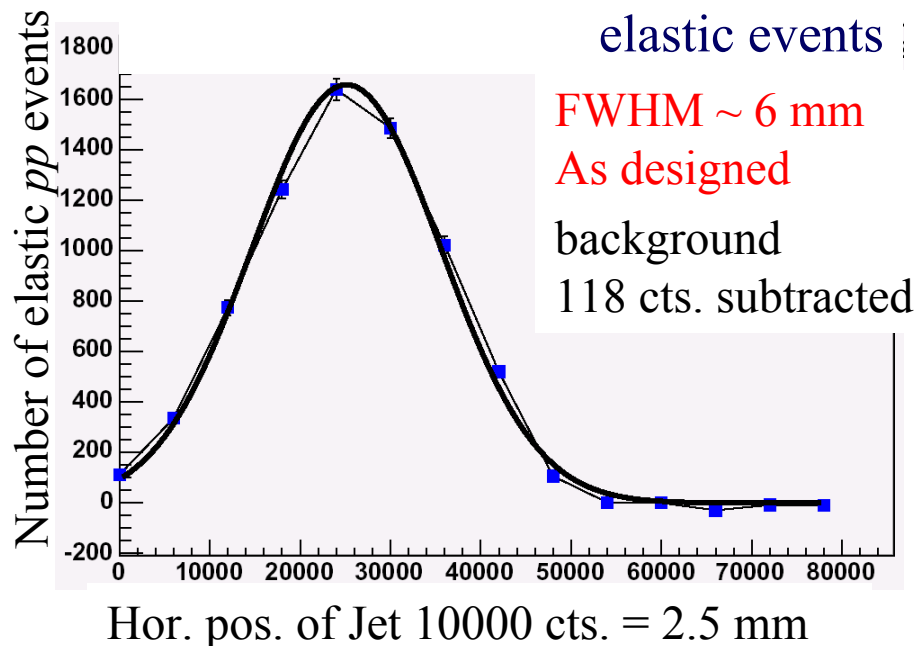
Si detectors from BNL Inst. and Hamamatsu  
Electronics developed by BNL Inst. and Physics



# *pp* elastic data collected

ToF vs  $E_{\text{REC}}$  correlation  
 $T_{\text{kin}} = \frac{1}{2} M_R (\text{dist}/\text{ToF})^2$

**JET Profile:** measured selecting *pp* elastic events



CNI peak  $A_N$

$1 < E_{\text{REC}} < 2 \text{ MeV}$

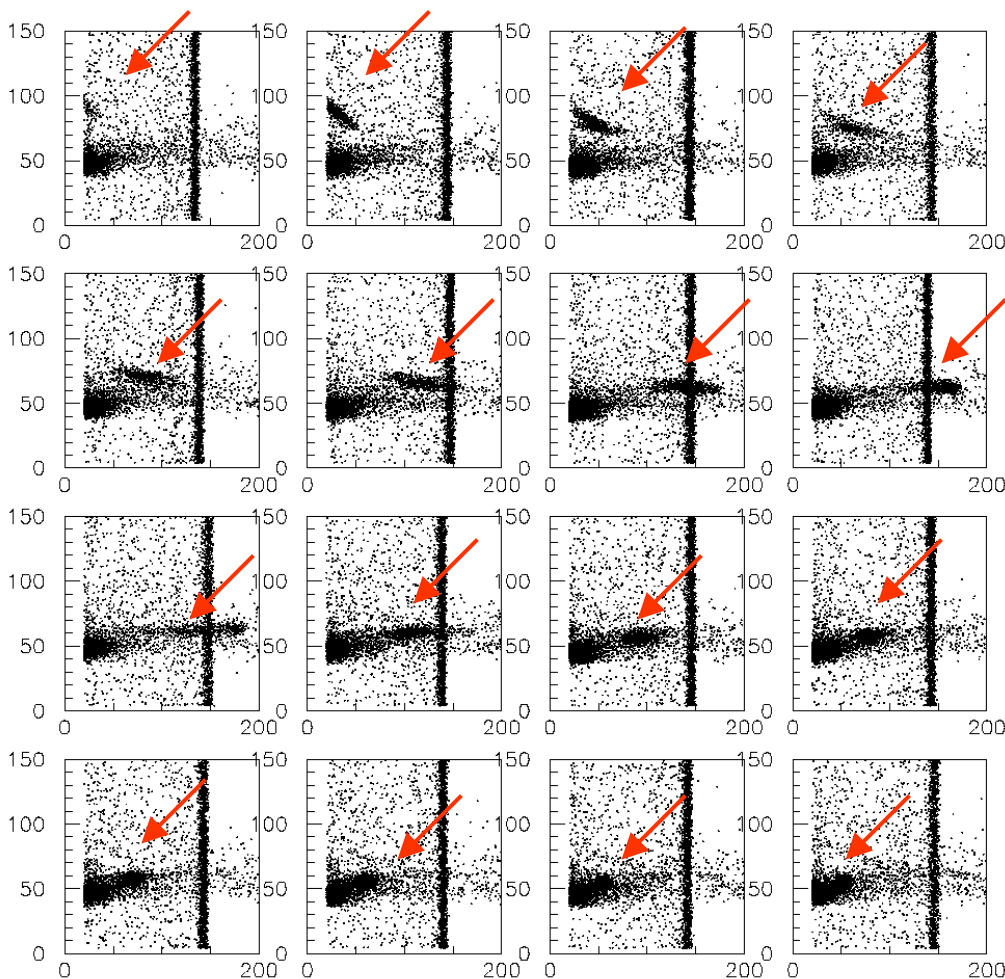
prompt events  
and beam gas

α source  
calibration

- recoil protons unambiguously identified !
- 100 GeV ~ 700,000 events at the peak of  $A_N$  ~ 100 hours  
(~  $2 \times 10^6$  total useful *pp* elastic events)
- 24 GeV ~ 120,000 events at the peak of  $A_N$  ~ 17 hours  
(~  $4 \times 10^5$  total useful *pp* elastic events)

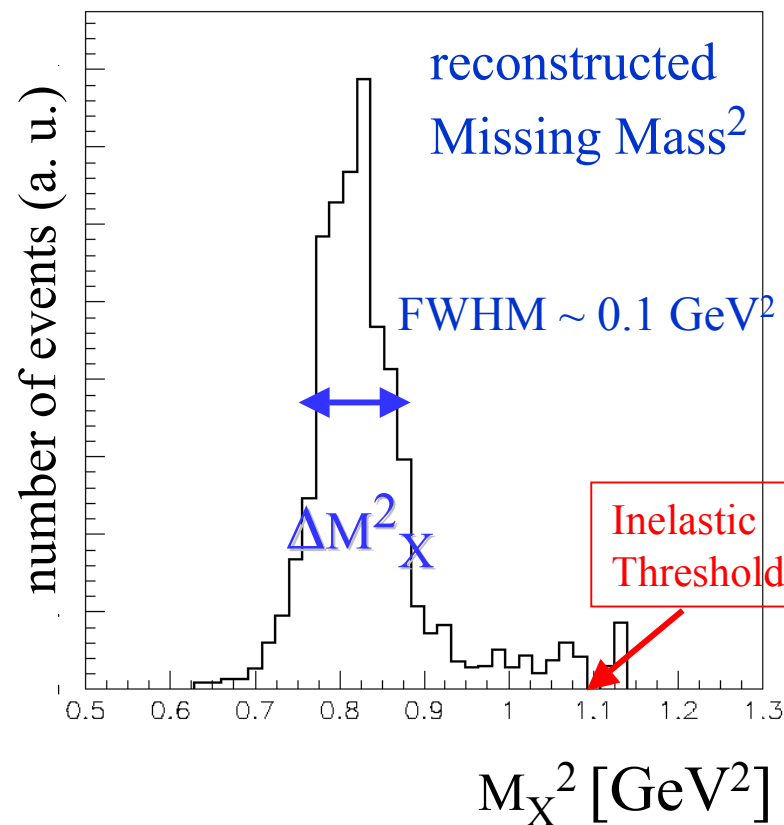
# Energy - Position correlations

$$T_{\text{kin}} \propto \theta^2 \text{ (i.e. position}^2\text{)}$$



TDC vs ADC individual channels

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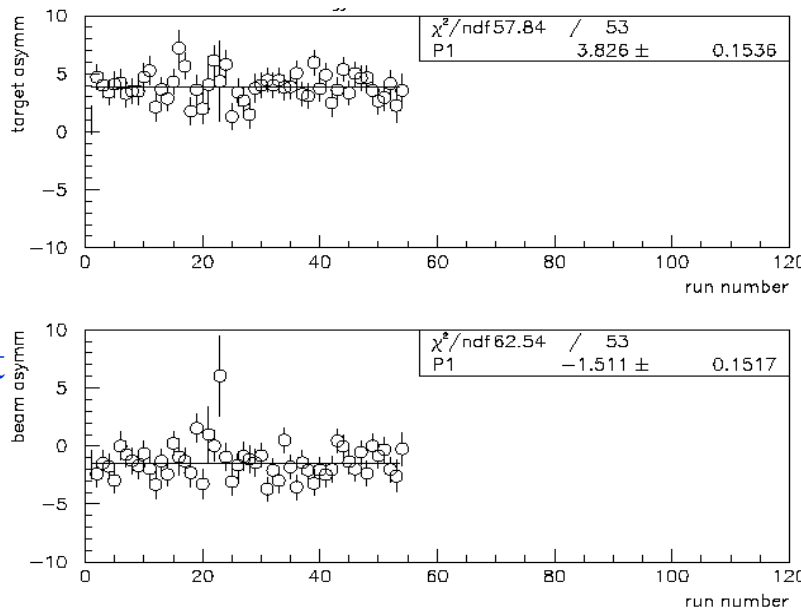
*pp* elastic events  
clearly identified !

# “ONLINE” measured asymmetries & Results

data divided into 3  $p$  recoil energy bins

ONLINE  $\equiv$  statistical errors only  
 no background corrections  
 no dead layer corrections  
 no systematic studies  
 no false asymmetries studies  
 no run selection

an example:  $750 < E_{\text{REC}} < 1750$  keV



Blue beam with alternating bunch polarizations:  $\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\dots$

good uniformity from run to run  
 (stable JET polarization)  
 JET polarization reversed  
 each  $\sim 5$  min

$$P_{\text{beam}} = -P_{\text{target}} \cdot \frac{\epsilon_{\text{beam}}}{\epsilon_{\text{target}}}$$

$$P_{\text{beam}} = 36.9 \% \pm 1.9 \%$$

$$\langle P_{\text{beam}} (pC \text{ CNI}) \rangle = 38.1 \%$$

(statistical errors only !)

# What next for JET in 2005

- Complete  $A_N$  analysis for the 100 and 24 GeV data.
- Complete the  $pC$  polarimeter analysis and systematics
- Measure  $A_N$  for the  $pC$  Blue beam polarimeter (“calibrate”)
- Install silicon detectors also for the Yellow beam
- Slower shaping amplifiers
- Extend  $|t|$  range  $\Rightarrow$  increase F.o.M. of JET polarimeter
- Improve the jet dissociator performance (clogging)
- Add shutters to turn off the sources for data taking
- Improve the jet  $H_2$  and  $H_2O$  background measurement
- NEG coating to minimize electron clouds

Prepare for the next run

# Summary

- the polarimeters work reliably
- steady progress in understanding and addressing systematic issues
- fast measurements of  $P_{\text{beam}}$  in few min. (AGS) / 30 sec. (RHIC)
- several hardware issues solved since last year  
(it is clear what needs to be improved and how ...)
- polarized gas jet target worked beautifully  
(target, recoil spectrometer, ...)
- acquired enough statistics for a first measurement of  
 $P_{\text{beam}}$  to better than 10% @ 100 GeV  
                    &            15% @ 24 GeV
- based on present understanding and developments for 2005  
5% “calibration” of  $pC$  polarimeters within reach



# Publications

The list is long:

physics, polarimetry, target, technical contributions to various conferences

Expect several physics publications on spin effects at low  $t$ , technical publications on polarimetry, target design and performance, etc.

Spin Symposia 2000, 2002 Jinnouchi, Huang, Bravar, Kurita ...

PST 2001 Makdisi on polarimetry

## 2003

CIPANP 2003 Bravar on the pC CNI and JET

PST 2003 Zelenski on the polarized jet target

CCP 2003 Bravar, Jinnouchi

Dubna 2003 Zelenski, Bravar, Jinnouchi

## 2004 (planned)

JPS Jinnouchi on the  $pC$  CNI polarimeters, Okada on the JET

Diffraction 2004 Bravar

SPIN 2004 Wise, Nass, Zelenski on the JET

Okada on the  $A_N$   $pp$  elastic scattering

Jinnouchi on the  $pC$  CNI

Svirida on the DAQ systems

APS Haeberli invited talk on the JET

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